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# Dedication

To the Memory

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**Edmund A. Cummings**

her husband

this volume is dedicated

in loving devotion by

**Ellen M. (Merrill) Cummings**

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# CUMMINGS *and* MERRILL FAMILIES
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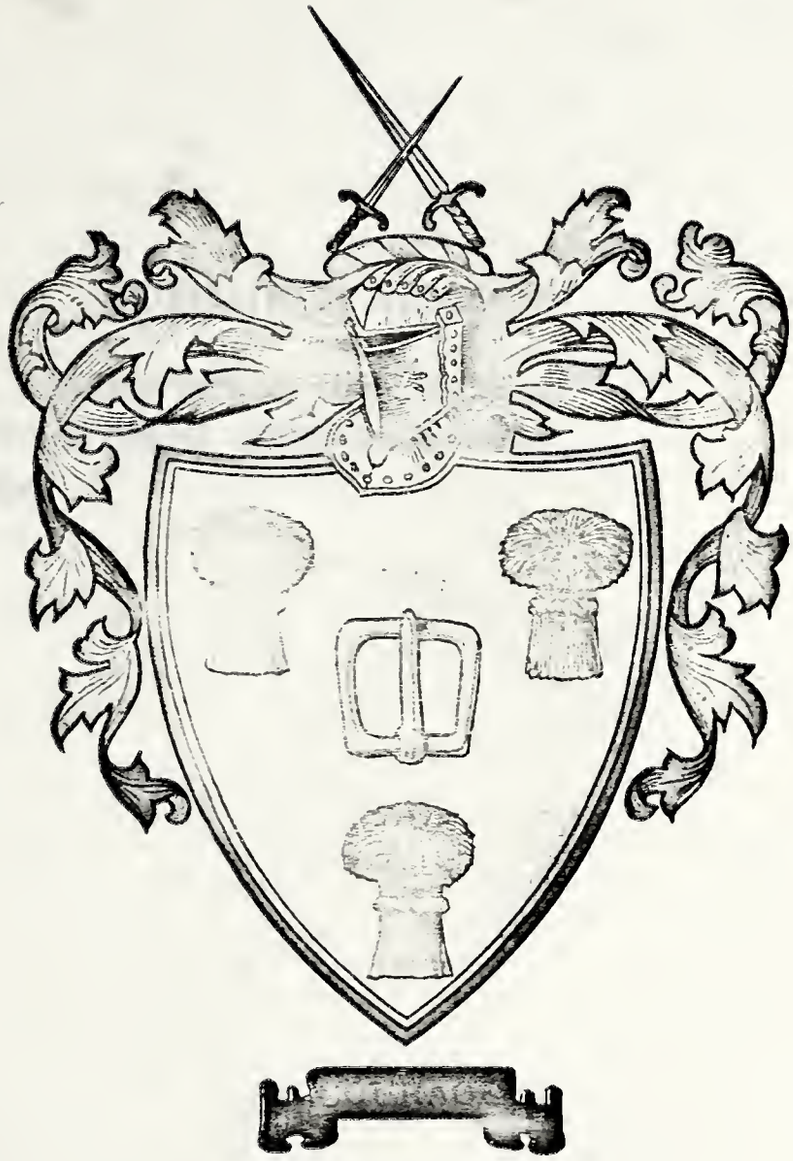
# Cummings

THE career of Edmund A. Cummings, for one-half a century one of the foremost figures in Chicago real estate circles, was one in which the labors that were planned and pursued with energetic industry, were completed as he had outlined them, his death, at the age of eighty years, following within four days after his retirement. When taken into consideration the vast benefits resulting from his leading part in the opening of more than two hundred subdivisions in the Chicago district, his valued coöperation in numerous financial and business enterprises and his public-spirited activity in civic improvement and progress, it is not difficult to believe that he was destined for those ends which he accomplished, and that length of years and vigor of mind and body were his equipment therefor. In the business circles of Chicago his name is associated only with that which is excellent and enduring in worth, while the influence of his personality and upright character is felt and will long survive in the many other relations of his useful, well-rounded life.



Cummings

## CUMMINGS ARMS

*Arms*—Azure, a buckle between three garbs or.
*Crest*—A sword and dagger saltireways proper.
*Motto*—Courage.

## CUMMINGS

### I

ISAAC CUMMINGS was born about 1601, and died in Ipswich, Massachusetts, between May 8 and 22, 1677. He came to America prior to 1638, for on July 25, 1638, he is mentioned on the town records as owning a tract of land near Reedy Marsh, Ipswich, Massachusetts, and he was a freeman in 1642. He was a proprietor of Watertown, Massachusetts, 1642, and later he removed to Topsfield, Massachusetts, purchasing several lots of land in Ipswich and Topsfield, Massachusetts. He was grand juryman in 1675, moderator of the town meeting in 1676, and deacon of the church for many years. His wife died before 1677.

Children:

1. *John,* of whom further.
2. Isaac, born in 1633.
3. Elizabeth, married John Jewett.
4. Ann, married John Pease.

## CUMMINGS

Tradition says that Isaac Cummings, the American founder, came to America from Scotland, and was of Scottish descent. The name, spelled variously, is of common occurrence in Great Britain, and appears also early in France. Robert Cumine was made Earl of Northumberland in the time of William the Conqueror. William Cumin was Lord Chancellor of Scotland in 1124, and many influential houses of Scotland bore this name. Isaac Cummings claimed descent from the "Red Cummin" of Badenoch (where the clan flourished from 1080 to 1330). William Cumin married the granddaughter of Donald, King of Scotland. According to the Chronicle of Melrose, the first of the name who figures prominently was Richard, son of William, slain by Malcolm III in 1093, leaving sons John and William. From John all of the Scottish Cummings are said to have descended. He was first Lord of Badenoch, and in 1240 was Ambassador to Louis IX of France. His son John, the black Lord of Badenoch, was one who vowed to support Queen Margaret, daughter of Alexander III, in her title to the crown. At her death he became a competitor for the crown of Scotland as "son and heir of John, who was son of Richard, son of Hextilda, daughter of Gothrick, son of Donald, King of Scotland." In 1335 a number of the Cumin clan were slain in the feudal battle of Culbleau in Glennwick.

## II

JOHN CUMMINGS, son of Isaac Cummings, was born in Scotland in 1630, and died in Dunstable, Massachusetts, December 1, 1700. He received from his father the homestead, which he sold in 1680. About 1658 he removed to Boxford, Massachusetts, and about 1680 to Dunstable, Massachusetts. He was selectman in 1682, and a member of the church at Dunstable. He married Sarah Howlett, daughter of Ensign Thomas and Alice (French) Howlett, of Ipswich. She died December 7, 1700. (See Howlett II.)

Children:

1. John, born in 1657.
2. Thomas, born October 6, 1658.
3. *Nathaniel,* of whom further.
4. Sarah, born January 28, 1661-62.
5. Abraham.
6. Isaac, killed by Indians in 1688.
7. Ebenezer, killed by Indians in 1688.
8. William, born August 5, 1671, died 1672.
9. Eliezer, twin of William, died 1672.
10. Benjamin, born February 23, 1672-73.
11. Samuel, born December 28, 1677.

## CUMMINGS

### III

NATHANIEL CUMMINGS, son of John and Sarah (Howlett) Cummings, was born in Boxford, Massachusetts, September 10, 1659, and died in Dunstable, Massachusetts, after 1725. He lived in Dunstable, Massachusetts, and in 1718 was one of ten proprietors of Brattle Farm, (one hundred and eight acres). He married, April 14, 1697, Abigail Parkhurst, who died after 1729. (See Parkhurst III.)

Children:

1. John, born January 14, 1698, died 1770.
2. *Nathaniel,* of whom further.
3. Eliezer, born October 19, 1701.
4. Joseph, born May 26, 1704.

## IV

NATHANIEL (2) CUMMINGS, son of Nathaniel and Abigail (Parkhurst) Cummings, was born in Dunstable, Massachusetts, September 8, 1699, and died there before 1760. He married Elizabeth Whitney, of Stowe, Massachusetts, who died after 1760.

Children:

1. Nathaniel, born July 7, 1724.
2. *Jeremiah,* of whom further.
3. Oliver, born April 10, 1728.
4. Elizabeth, born December 30, 1730.
5. Abigail, born February 12, 1732.
6. Eleazer, born October 2, 1737.
7. Rachel, born in 1741.
8. Simeon, born in 1743.
9. Lydia, born in 1744; married Samuel Pollard.

MAGNANIMITER CRUCEM SUSTINE
Whitney

## WHITNEY ARMS

*Arms*—Azure, a cross chequy or and gules.
*Crest*—A bull's head couped sable, armed argent the points gules.
*Motto*—*Magnanimiter crucem sustine.*

V

JEREMIAH CUMMINGS, son of Nathaniel (2) and Elizabeth (Whitney) Cummings, was born in Dunstable, Massachusetts, December 27, 1726, and died there October 10, 1773. He was selectman of Dunstable, Massachusetts, in 1766. He married Mary —, who married (second), in 1776, Benjamin French.

Children:

1. Mary, born November 16, 1760.
2. *Jeremiah,* of whom further.

VI

JEREMIAH (2) CUMMINGS, son of Jeremiah and Mary Cummings, was born in Dunstable, Massachusetts, October 17, 1769, and died in 1845. He married, in Dunstable, September 25, 1789, Rebecca Swallow, daughter of Amaziah and Elizabeth (Kendall) Swallow. She was born April 24, 1768. (See Swallow V.)

Children:

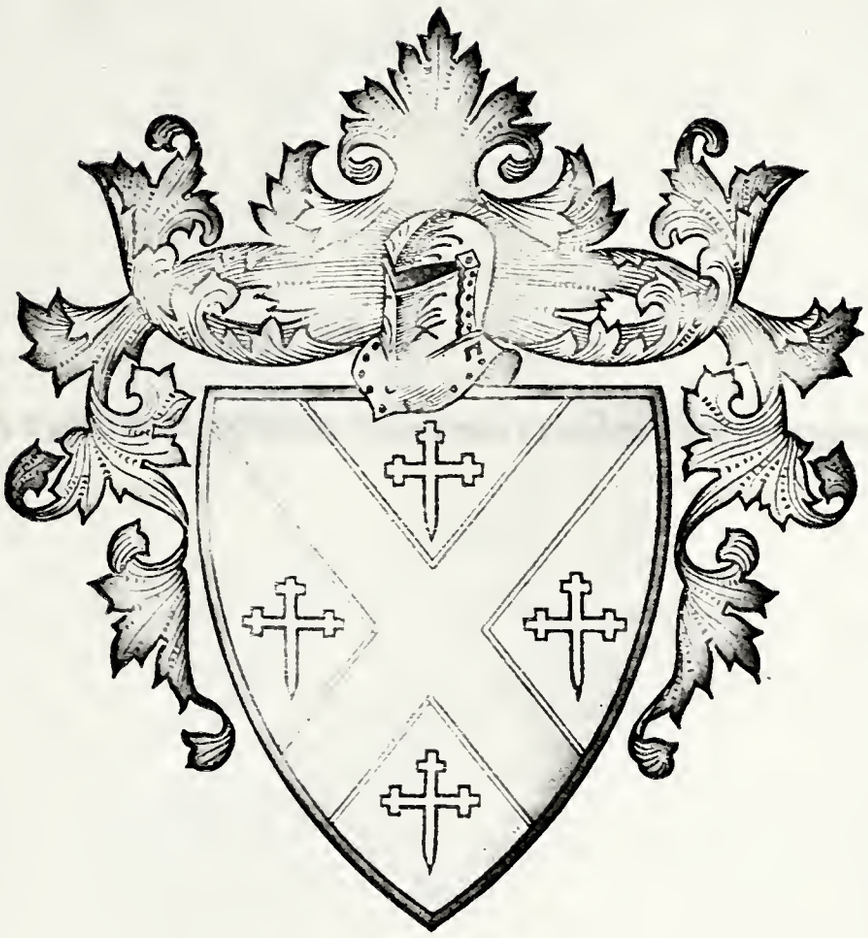
1. Eben, born August 16, 1790.
2. Jeremiah, born June 16, 1792.
3. Rebekah, born June 3, 1794.
4. Zenas, born February 9, 1798.
5. Clarissa, born April 7, 1800.
6. Jason, born June 9, 1802.
7. Walter, born July 27, 1804.
8. *Edmund,* of whom further.

## VII

EDMUND CUMMINGS, son of Jeremiah (2) and Rebecca (Swallow) Cummings, was born May 27, 1809, and died December 14, 1881. He married Clarissa Russ.

Children:

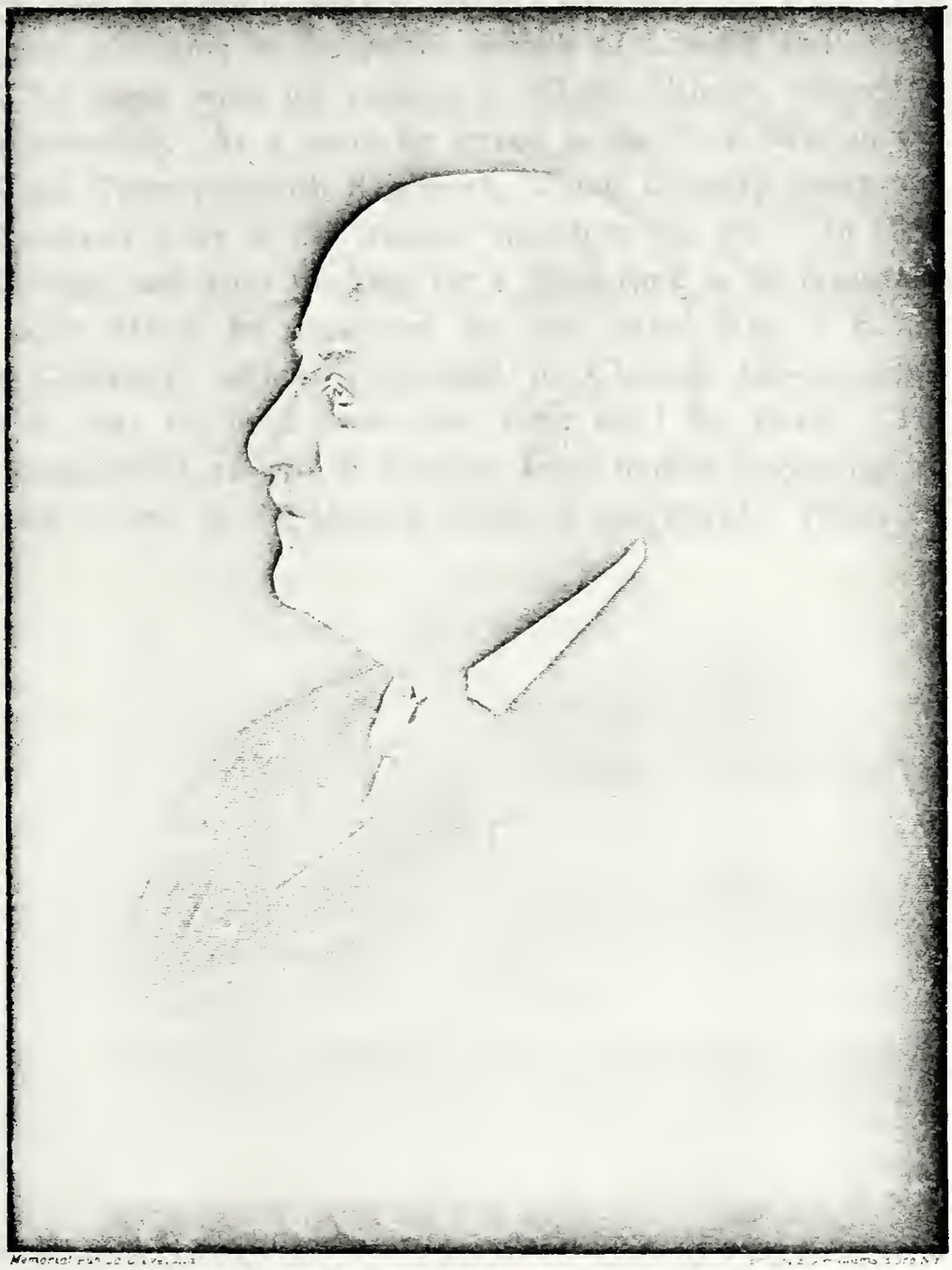
1. *Edmund A.,* of whom further.
2. Charles Henry.



Russ

## RUSS ARMS

*Arms*—Azure, a saltire or, between four cross crosslets fitchee argent.



E. E. Cummings

## VIII

EDMUND A. CUMMINGS, son of Edmund and Clarissa (Russ) Cummings, was born at Lowell, Massachusetts, November 29, 1842. He received his early education in the public schools of Lowell, and at the age of twelve he came with his parents to Elgin, Illinois, where he completed his schooling. As a youth he served in the Civil War in the One Hundred and Twenty-seventh Regiment, Illinois Infantry, being one of General Sherman's army in the famous "march to the sea." In 1864 he came to Chicago, and after working for a short time in an insurance office on La Salle Street, he organized the real estate firm of E. A. Cummings & Company, which specialized in Chicago sub-divisions. Of that firm he was the head from that time until his death. He witnessed the tremendous growth of Chicago from modest beginnings to its present status as one of the leading cities of the world. When he

began business there, Lake Street was the principal commercial section, and prairie lands, or small towns, occupied the sites of what are today the extensive suburbs of this city. In the development of Chicago, generally, and in the expansion of the real estate business, particularly, Mr. Cummings played a conspicuous role. A man of broad vision and inexhaustible energy, he threw himself wholeheartedly into the work of his chosen profession. He was the type of man who attracted to himself others possessing his own unusual characteristics. The natural result was that he and his firm became widely known for high-class, energetic dealings in the realty field. The record achieved, of having marketed more than two hundred sub-divisions, was indeed an enviable one.

Upon determining to withdraw from active affairs, Mr. Cummings made his usual thorough preparations for an important business move, and although his death came suddenly, he had left matters so arranged as to facilitate to the highest degree the task of those who should succeed him. The business is continued under the name of Goss, Judd & Sherman, successors to E. A. Cummings & Company. The wide range of Mr. Cummings' activities is partially indicated by his association with many prominent institutions. He was a director of the Avenue State Bank (Oak Park); Chicago Title and Trust Company; Harlem State Savings Bank; River Forest State Bank; West Chicago (Illinois) State Bank; member of the Chicago Real Estate Board, of which he was president in 1886; and member of the Chicago Association of Commerce. His social memberships were in the Union League Club, of which he was a charter member; the Mid-Day Club; the Oak Park Country Club; and the Oak Park Club. He was also one of the founders and third president of the Chicago Real Estate Board, and was chairman of the Soldiers' Memorial Hall Association.

Ellen M Cummings

Mr. Cummings married, September 11, 1867, Ellen M. Merrill, a member of the old Merrill family of Connecticut. (See Merrill VIII.) The family home is in Oak Park, where Mr. and Mrs. Cummings were among the early residents, and here they have long been prominent socially.

They were the parents of six children, all deceased, as follows:

1. Charles Edmund, born in Chicago, July 9, 1868, died May 6, 1914.
2. Walter Nelson, born in Chicago, July 28, 1869, died October 28, 1869.
3. Mabel Claire, born in Chicago, died May 31, 1910; married Frank R. Lindop; they had four children, one of whom died in infancy; the others: Mabel Edith, married, June 30, 1923, J. E. Murphy, and they reside in Los Angeles, California; John Cummings, and Edmund Frank, who lived with Mr. and Mrs. Cummings after the death of their mother; Edmund Frank still makes his home with his grandmother, but John Cummings, married Mildred Fallow of Beloit, Wisconsin, and resides in Maywood, Illinois.
4. John Vincent, born in Chicago, January 19, 1873, died July 18, 1875.
5. Nellie Merrill, born in Oak Park, October 3, 1875, died August 3, 1914; married Robert H. McCullaugh, who survives.
6. George Moore, born in Oak Park, March 1, 1877, died February 1, 1878.

Edmund A. Cummings died August 23, 1922. In a city improved and beautified, in institutions strengthened and stabilized, in righteous causes furthered, and in enduring social attachments formed, there are found the clear traces of his life course, ended in honor and distinction.

Merrill

## MERRILL ARMS

*Arms*—Argent, a bar azure between three peacocks' heads, proper.
*Crest*—A peacock's head, erased proper.

# Merrill

THE Merrills are of French origin, the name originally being de Merle, and they were of the French nobility. The ancestral home of the family in 1550 was Place de Dombes, Auvergne, France. Being Huguenots the family fled to England at the time of the massacre of St. Bartholomew in 1552, and settled in Salisbury, County Wiltshire. In England they were an honored family. St. Peter Merrill (de Merle), of the English Army, was knighted in 1634.

Research has led to the conclusion that all the Merrills in this country are descended from Nathaniel and Susanna Merrill, who were among the first settlers of Newbury, Massachusetts, in the early spring of 1635. Some other families of the name are mentioned in early town and parish records, but these families seem to have died out and there is to be found no one of the name whose ancestry can be traced back to any other than Nathaniel Merrill, of Newbury. John Merrill, the elder brother of Nathaniel Merrill, a very prominent man in the settlement, had daughters but no son, and consequently contributed nothing to the family history except his own individual and very honorable record. Nothing is known of the parents of John and Nathaniel Merrill or from what county in England they came, but probably from Wiltshire and the vicinity of Salisbury.

# MERRILL

## I

NATHANIEL MERRILL took the freeman's oath in 1638 or 1640 in Newbury, and there died March 16, 1654-55. He left an estate valued at eighty-four pounds, six shillings. By his will his estate was to go to his son, Nathaniel, executor, subject to life interest of widow, Susanna, he to pay as directed to the other children. After his death his widow married Stephen Jordan, August 16, 1661, and her death occurred January 25, 1672.

Children, as given in Coffin's *History of Newbury, Massachusetts:*

1. John, born 1635, died July 18, 1712; freeman in 1658; deacon; went to Hartford, Connecticut; married Sarah Watson; they were the parents of ten children.
2. Abraham, born 1637, died November 28, 1772; was a weaver by occupation; resided in Newbury; was a freeman in 1668; selectman and deacon; married (first), January 11, 1660, Abigail Watson; they were the parents of eleven children; married (second), September 2, 1713, Sarah Bradley Bond.
3. *Nathaniel,* of whom further.
4. Susanna, born 1640, died in 1690; married, October 15, 1663, John Burbank.
5. Daniel, born August 20, 1642, died June 27, 1718; freeman in 1668; married (first), May 14, 1667, Sarah Clough, and they were the parents of eight children; married (second), May 29, 1708, Sarah (Morrill) Bond; there were three children of this second marriage.
6. Abel, born February 20, 1644-45, died October 28, 1689.

## II

NATHANIEL (2) MERRILL, son of Nathaniel and Susanna Merrill, was born probably in Newbury, Massachusetts, about 1638, and died in Newbury, Massachusetts, January 1, 1682-83. He was a freeman of Newbury in 1668. He married in 1661, Joanna Ninian.

Children:

1. John, born February 16, 1662, died in 1705.
2. *Nathaniel,* of whom further.
3. Peter, born August 20, 1667.
4. Joanna, born August 5, 1669, died in November, 1669.
5. Joanna, born October 14, 1670, died in 1670.
6. Hannah, born July 12, 1672.
7. Mary, born September 18, 1675.

## III

NATHANIEL (3) MERRILL, son of Nathaniel (2) and Joanna (Ninian) Merrill, was born in Newbury, Massachusetts, February 8, 1664-65, and died in Haverhill, Massachusetts, July 4, 1738. In 1698 he removed from Newbury, Massachusetts, to Haverhill, Massachusetts. He married (first) Rebecca Brown, daughter of Isaac and Rebecca Brown. She died December 9, 1689. He married (second) Sarah Woodman, daughter of Edward (2) and Mary (Goodridge) Woodman. (See Woodman III.)

Children of first marriage:

1. Nathaniel, born November 23, 1688.
2. Peter, born in 1689.

Children of second marriage:

3. Hannah, born December 30, 1692.
4. Sarah, born October 26, 1694.
5. Mary, married John Ladd.
6. Rebecca, married Josiah Gage.
7. Samuel, born August 2, 1702.
8. Elizabeth, born November 2, 1704.
9. John, born February 12, 1706.
10. *Stephen,* of whom further.
11. Joseph, born July 3, 1709.
12. Benjamin, born July 4, 1710.

## IV

STEPHEN MERRILL, son of Nathaniel (3) and Sarah (Woodman) Merrill, was born in Haverhill, Massachusetts, in 1707, and died in Boxford, Massachusetts, August 19, 1785. He lived at Haverhill, Amesbury, Methuen, and finally at Boxford, Massachusetts. He married, May 27, 1731, Keziah Hardy, who died January 18, 1783, aged seventy-one years.

Children:

1. Asa, born June 30, 1732, died November 3, 1815.
2. Timothy, born February 4, 1733.
3. Elizabeth, born October 24, 1736, died about 1822.
4. *Jesse,* of whom further.
5. Richard, born December 4, 1744, died in 1799.
6. Stephen, born January 25, 1749, died young.
7. Mehitable, born June 14, 1753.

Hardy

## HARDY ARMS

*Arms*—Sable, on a chevron ermine between three escallops argent as many griffins' heads erased of the field.

*Crest*—An arm embowed in armour, gauntlet proper, garnished or, holding a griffin's head, as in the arms.

## V

JESSE MERRILL, son of Stephen and Keziah (Hardy) Merrill, was born in Haverhill, Massachusetts, December 31, 1738-39, and died January 1, 1816. He removed from Boxford, Massachusetts, to Salem, New Hampshire, and in 1790 he was of the latter place. He had one son over sixteen living with him and two daughters. He married, at Boxford, Massachusetts, May 5, 1763, Phebe Pearl, born October 18, 1741, daughter of Richard and Sarah Pearl. (See Pearl III.)

Children, born in Salem, New Hampshire:

1. *Richard,* of whom further.
2. Stephen, born December 25, 1766, died in 1768.
3. Phoebe, born March 26, 1770, died in February, 1772.
4. Phoebe, born April 11, 1772, died in 1778.
5. Elizabeth, born January 7, 1774.
6. Jesse, born June 19, 1777, died in 1778.
7. Dorcas, born August 10, 1780.
8. Abigail, born May 2, 1782, died June 19, 1784.

## VI

RICHARD MERRILL, son of Jesse and Phebe (Pearl) Merrill, was born in Salem, New Hampshire, April 11, 1765. He married, February 9, 1791, Abigail Hall.

Children:

1. *Jesse,* of whom further.
2. Asa, born February 18, 1793.
3. Polly, born January 22, 1796.
4. Phoebe, born March 8, 1800.

Hall

## HALL ARMS

*Arms*—Argent, a chevron sable between three columbines proper.
*Crest*—A talbot's head erased proper.
*Motto*—*Turpiter desperatur.*

VII

JESSE (2) MERRILL, son of Richard and Abigail (Hall) Merrill, was born in Salem, New Hampshire, November 10, 1791. He removed from Salem to Charlestown, New Hampshire. He married, July 14, 1816, Miranda Willard, born October 13, 1791, died January 11, 1853. Among their children was *Gilman H.*, of whom further.

Willard

## WILLARD ARMS

*Arms*—Argent, a chevron ermine between three flasks proper.
*Crest*—A griffin's head erased or.

## MERRILL

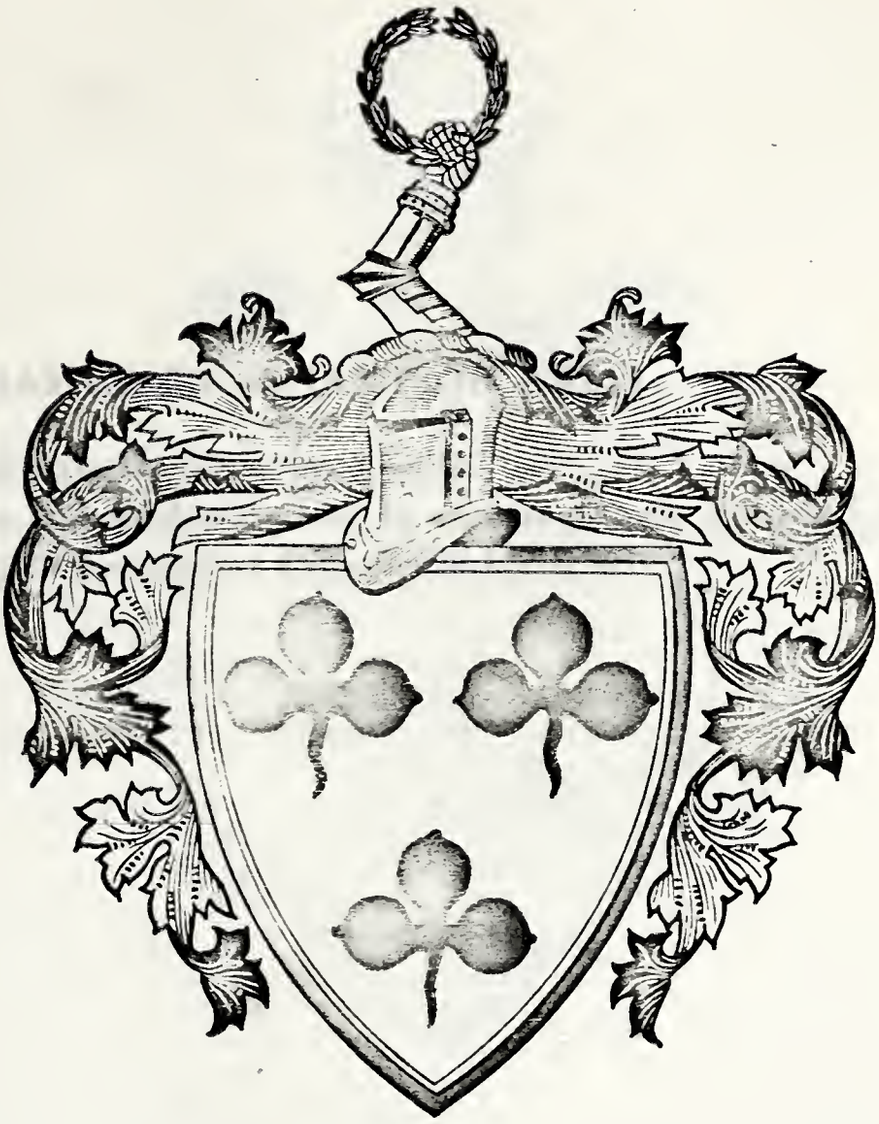
### VIII

GILMAN H. MERRILL, son of Jesse (2) and Miranda (Willard) Merrill, was born in Oxford, New Hampshire, June 6, 1817, and died February 22, 1874. He removed to Elgin, Illinois. He married, June 14, 1841, Eunice Champlain, who was born in Lebanon, Connecticut, September 30, 1816, and died August 9, 1865.

The name Champlin (Champlain) is, according to Bardsley, probably derived as a diminutive of Champion or Campion. The line as traced from Eunice Champlain, leads, from all evidence obtainable, through her father E. Champlain and her grandfather, Stephen, who married Elizabeth Raymond Perry, to Jeffrey Champlain (Champlin), of Rhode Island. Three Jeffreys succeed one another and then three Stephens in this descent.

Children of Gilman H. and Eunice (Champlain) Merrill are:

1. Ellen M., born in Elgin, Illinois, June 14, 1842; married, September 11, 1867, Edmund A. Cummings. (See Cummings VIII.)
2. Nelson H., born February 21, 1845, died March 18, 1918; married, October 3, 1867, Kate G. Richmond.
3. Walter J., born January 26, 1858, died October 11, 1888; married, February 15, 1883, Ann Eliza Anthony.

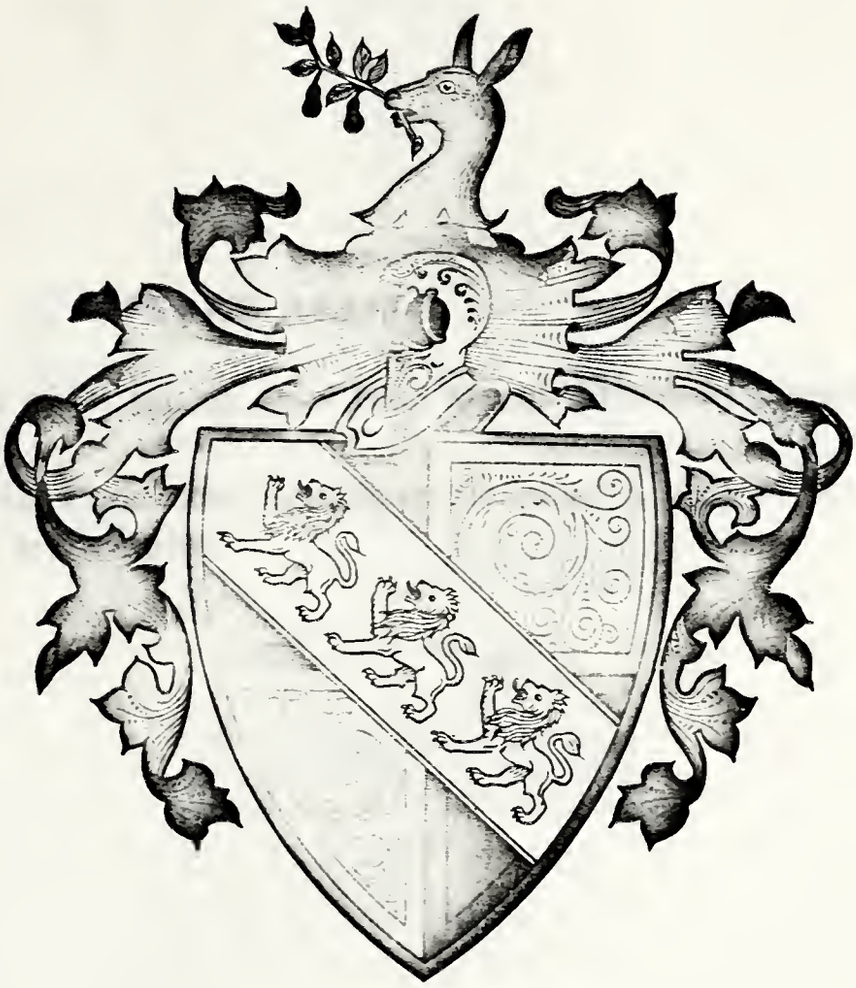


Champlain
(Champion)

## CHAMPLAIN—CHAMPION ARMS

*Arms*—Argent, three trefoils slipped sable.

*Crest*—An arm embowed and erect, in armour proper, garnished or holding in the gauntlet a chaplet of laurel vert.



Perry

## PERRY ARMS

*Arms*—Quarterly gules and or, on a bend argent three lions passant azure.

*Crest*—A hind's head erased or, holding in the mouth a sprig of pear tree vert, fructed gold.

Swallow

## SWALLOW ARMS

*Arms*—Argent, a fesse between three swallows volant sable, a chief gules.

*Crest*—A stag standing beside a tree proper.

# Swallow

WALLOW is sometimes a nickname from the bird; but sometimes means "of Swallow," a parish in Lincolnshire. Bardsley cites Ralph de Swallwe, time of Henry III.

I

AMBROSE SWALLOW was an early resident of Chelmsford, Massachusetts, where he died October 25, 1684. He married, December 2, 1668, Mary Martin. (In the vital records, on account of the old long "S," spelled Fearlow.)

Children:

1. *Ambrose,* of whom further.
2. John, born November 19, 1671.
3. Joseph, born March 16, 1679.
4. Benjamin, born November 9, 1683.

# Martin

## MARTIN ARMS

*Arms*—Argent, two bars gules.
*Crest*—An estoile of sixteen points gules.
*Motto*—Sure and steadfast.

## II

AMBROSE (2) SWALLOW, son of Ambrose and Mary (Martin) Swallow, was born September 8, 1669, died April 19, 1720. He married, December 8, 1696, Sarah Barrett, probably the daughter of John and Sarah Barrett.

Children, born at Chelmsford:

1. Sarah, born July 23, 1698.
2. Mary, born February 8, 1700, died May 25, 1716.
3. Hannah, born January 18, 1703.
4. Jonathan, born September 11, 1706.
5. *John,* of whom further.
6. Joseph, born June 21, 1714.

Barrett

## BARRETT ARMS

*Arms*—Or, on a chevron between three mullets sable as many lions passant, guardant argent.

*Crest*—A lion couchant argent, the dexter paw resting on a mullet sable.

## III

JOHN SWALLOW, son of Ambrose (2) and Sarah (Barrett) Swallow, was born August 2, 1709, died at Dunstable, Massachusetts, February 15, 1776. He settled in the north part of Groton, annexed to Dunstable, in 1753. He married (first) Deborah —. He married (second) Sarah Nutting, daughter of Jonathan and Mary (Green) Nutting, born at Groton, February 22, 1714-15, died January 20, 1799, married before 1732.

Children of first marriage:

1. John, born February 22, 1729-30.
2. *Amaziah,* of whom further.

Children of second marriage:

3. Benjamin, born October 21, 1736, died January 11, 1821; served in the Revolution.
4. Sarah, born November 25, 1741.
5. Peter, born October 9, 1743, died April 7, 1813; served in the Revolution.
6. Mary, born February 28, 1746.
7. Deborah, born February 9, 1748, died March 7, 1821.
8. Elizabeth, born December 17, 1750, died October 19, 1812.
9. Hannah, born January 17, 1754.
10. Jonathan, born June 22, 1757.

## IV

AMAZIAH SWALLOW, son of John and Deborah Swallow, was born November 22, 1732, and died in Dunstable, Massachusetts, January 21, 1803. He held the rank of lieutenant in the Revolution. He married (first), in Billerica, June 19, 1759, Elizabeth Kendall, born in 1739, died December 9, 1784. (See Kendall IV.) He married (second), February 16, 1786, Mary (Taylor) Woods, daughter of Samuel and Susannah (Perham) Taylor, and widow of Captain Solomon Woods.

Children, all of his first marriage:

1. Elizabeth, born May 18,1760; married in 1789, John Cheney.
2. Rebecca, born December 4, 1763, died August 17, 1765.
3. Ruth, born July 22, 1765; married, in 1785, Isaac Kendall.
4. Asa, born May 1, 1767, died February 15, 1813.
5. *Rebecca,* of whom further.
6. Abraham, born December 14, 1770.
7. Deborah, born December 14, 1773, died October 18, 1778.
8. Kendall, born April 2, 1775, died October 25, 1778.
9. Mary, born November 30, 1777, died November 7, 1798.
10. Amaziah, born in 1787, died October 6, 1857.

## V

REBECCA SWALLOW, daughter of Amaziah and Elizabeth (Kendall) Swallow, was born April 24, 1768. She married, September 25, 1789, Jeremiah Cummings. (See Cummings VI.)

Rowlett

## HOWLETT ARMS

*Arms*—Per chevron or and sable, in chief two triple towers of the second, in base a ship in full sail of the first.

*Crest*—An owl argent ducally gorged or, holding in the dexter claw a rose gules, slipped and leaved vert.

# Howlett

OWLETT is a pet name or diminutive of How, a variation of Hugh; Bardsley cites Adam Howlot from the Poll Tax of Yorkshire, 1379 A. D., and William Houghlot from the Issues of the Exchequer. In Carlyle's *Life of Cromwell,* he says: "Oliver's tutor in Cambridge was Magister Richard Howlet, in Sidney Sussex College." Holmes' *Directory of the Ancestral Heads of New England Families,* 1620-1700, names in addition to Thomas, John, a mariner, of Boston, Massachusetts, where he died before 1676.

## HOWLETT

### I

THOMAS HOWLETT, whose first record is in Ipswich, Massachusetts, in 1633, as one of the twelve who settled Ipswich, April 1, 1633, with John Winthrop, was deputy for Ipswich to the General Court in 1635; 1636 he was granted a house lot; 1640 he is called "Sargeant"; 1645 "Ensign"; 1648 he was elder in the church and selectman; 1658 he was one of the "Seven Men" who managed civil and ecclesiastical affairs. He was selectman in Topsfield in 1661, and its deputy to the General Court in Boston, August, 1664. He died in Topsfield, December 22, 1677, aged seventy-nine. He married (first) Alice French, of Boston, who died June 26, 1666. He married (second) Rebecca, surname unknown.

Children:

1. Samuel, died March 11, 1720; married, January 3, 1670-71, Sarah Clarke.
2. William, born in 1650, gives deed in 1715.
3. Thomas, Jr., died at Ipswich, December 22, 1667.
4. John.
5. Nathaniel, died in Ipswich, April 8, 1658.
6. *Sarah,* of whom further.
7. Mary, married a Perley.

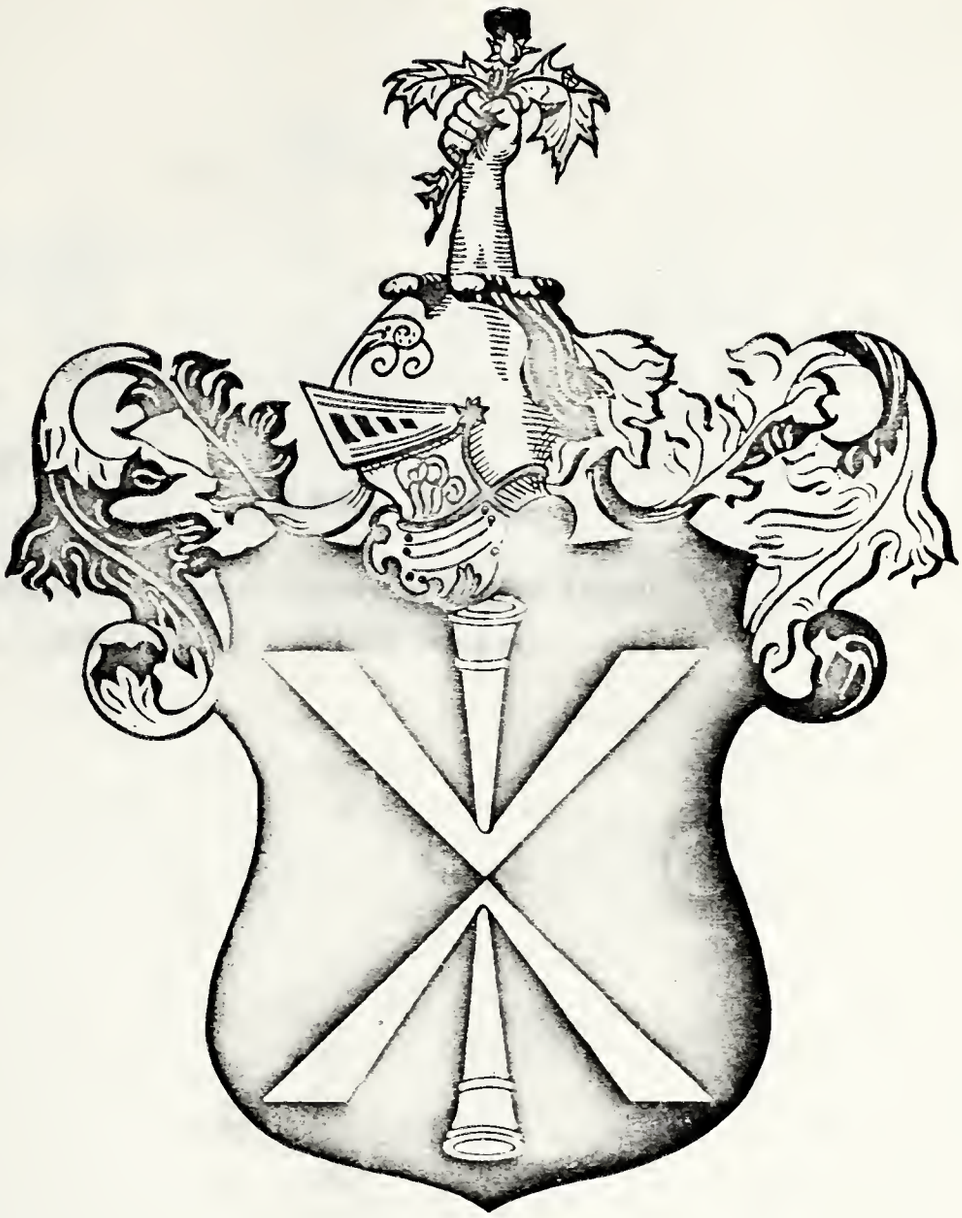
### II

SARAH HOWLETT, daughter of Thomas and Alice (French) Howlett, died December 7, 1700. She married John Cummings. (See Cummings II.)

French

## FRENCH ARMS

*Arms*—Azure, a chevron between three boars' heads or.
*Crest*—A boar's head erased or.
*Motto*—*Tuebor.*



Pearl

## PEARL ARMS

*Arms*—Sable, two broad arrows in saltire argent.
*Crest*—A hand holding a thistle proper.

# Pearl

EARL is a name derived from the jewel. Thomas Perle is on record in the Close Rolls, A. D. 1343. Widow Alice Pearl was living in Beverly Park, Yorkshire, England, in 1666, when her son John was apprenticed to John Gurwood, of Beverly, the apprentice paper being in the possession of John M. Pearl, of West Boxford, Massachusetts.

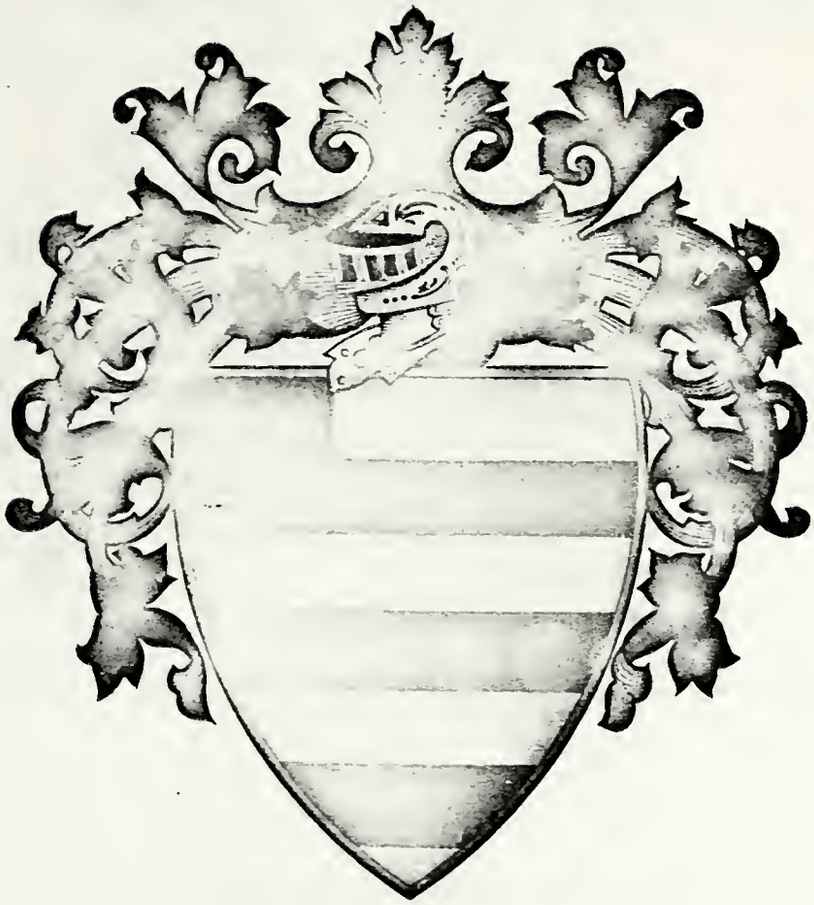
## PEARL

### I

JOHN PEARL was born at Skidby, in Beverly Park, about 1650, and probably died about 1720. He came to America about 1675, pursuing his calling of miller first at Marblehead, later at Bradford, Massachusetts. He married Elizabeth Holmes, daughter of Richard and Alce (Alice) Holmes, of Rowley. She was born September 15, 1662, died March 26, 1744.

Children, first two born in Boxford, the remainder in Bradford:

1. Alice, born about 1683; married Jonathan Peabody, of Boxford.
2. Mary, born in 1685, died at Boxford, November 5, 1754, unmarried.
3. John, born January 16, 1686-87, in Bradford, died young.
4. Eleanor, born about 1690; married, in 1715, John Stiles, of Boxford.
5. Timothy, born February 23, 1694-95; married Mary.
6. Jane, born October 9, 1698; married Thomas Misser, of Haverhill.
7. *Richard,* of whom further.



Holmes

## HOLMES ARMS

*Arms*—Barry of six or and gules; on a canton of the second a chaplet of the first.

## II

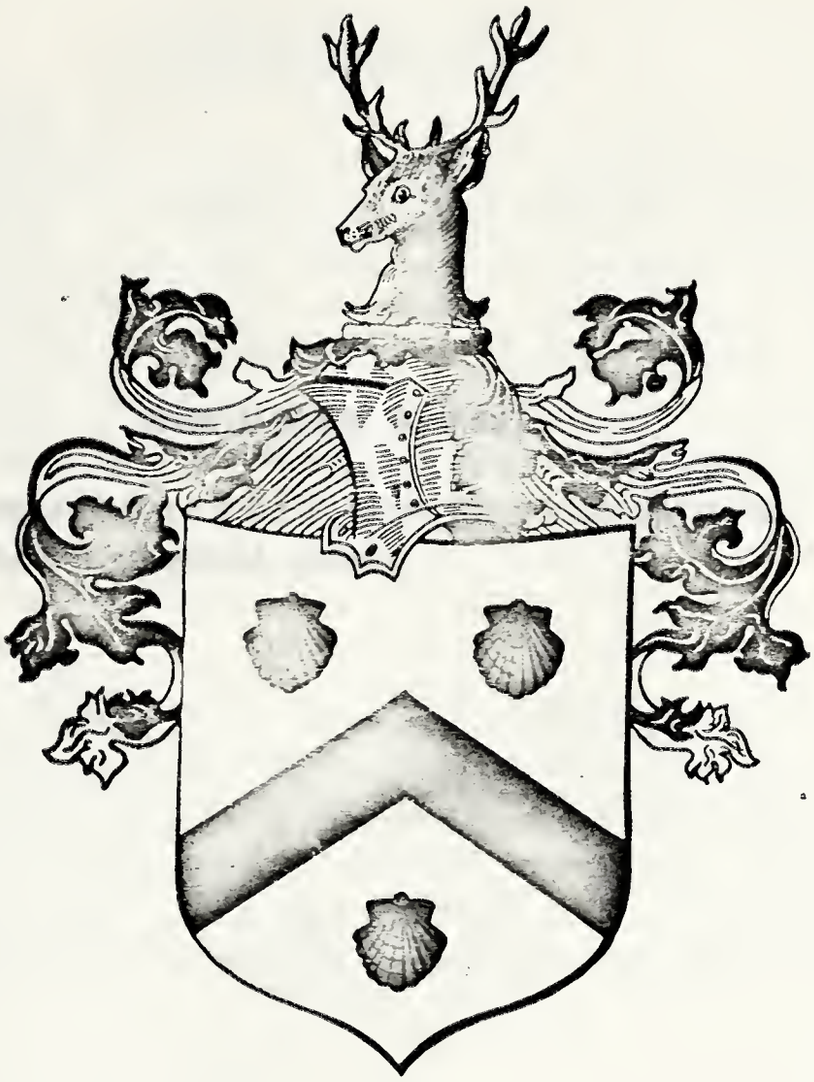
RICHARD PEARL, son of John and Elizabeth (Holmes) Pearl, was born in Bradford, Massachusetts, May 20, 1702, died at Boxford, December 20, 1793. A carpenter in calling, he resided first in Andover, thence removed to Bradford in 1729, removing to Boxford in 1738. He married, about 1728, Sarah —, who died January 14, 1786.

Children, born at Boxford:

1. Abigail, married, in 1754, Amos Spofford.
2. Sarah, married, in 1753, Abel Kimball.
3. Hannah, married, in 1754, Stephen Runnells.
4. John, baptized April 30, 1738, died in Boxford, December 17, 1825.
5. Richard, baptized January 20, 1739-40, died December 7, 1760.
6. *Phebe,* of whom further.
7. Esther, baptized September 4, 1743; married Thomas Spofford.
8. Elizabeth, baptized August 18, 1745, died March 11, 1776; married Ebenezer Peabody.
9. Lucy, baptized May 6, 1750; married in 1770, Phineas Kimball.

## III

PHEBE PEARL, daughter of Richard and Sarah Pearl, was baptized October 18, 1741. She married, May 5, 1763, Jesse Merrill. (See Merrill V.)



Woodman

## WOODMAN ARMS

*Arms*—Argent, a chevron sable between three escallops gules.
*Crest*—A buck's head erased, proper.

# Woodman

OODMAN, a family name derived from the office of woodman, a man who cares for the king's forest; later also a hunter or a wood cutter. In addition to Edward as head of a family in early Colonial New England were Archelaus, mentioned more extensively below, and Richard, born in England in 1590, a freeman of Watertown, Massachusetts, in 1635, who later removed to Lynn, Massachusetts, where he died.

## I

EDWARD WOODMAN came, says Coffin, with his brother Archelaus, a passenger from Southampton in the *James* of London, embarking with his wife and sons Edward and John, April 6, 1635, and arriving at Boston, June 3, 1635. He was "probably of Wiltshire." Archelaus is called of "Malford, *i.e.* Christian Malford parish, six miles from Malmesbury." Archelaus left two daughters. Of the

ninety-one grantees who settled Newbury, Massachusetts, Edward Woodman was one of the fifteen entitled by their importance to the appellation "Mr." He opposed with energy the attempt made by the Rev. Thomas Parker to change the mode of church government from Congregationalism to something like Presbyterianism. He was a deputy to the General Court in 1636-37-39-43. In 1638-41-45-46 he was one of the three commissioners to end small causes in Newbury, and at various times held other offices of profit and trust in town and State. He died before 1694, age not known. He married, in England, Joanna Bartlett.

Children:

1. *Edward,* of whom further.
2. John, born about 1630; married, July 15, 1656, Mary Field.
3. Joshua, born in 1636, first English male child born in Newbury, died May 30, 1703.
4. Mary, married, February 20, 1660, John Brown.
5. Sarah, born January 12, 1642; married, March 12, 1666, John Kent.
6. Jonathan, born November 8, 1643.
7. Ruth, born March 28, 1646; married, October 17, 1666, Benjamin Lowle.

Bartlett

## BARTLETT ARMS

*Arms*—Azure, a chevron or between three doves proper.
*Crest*—A dove holding an olive branch, all proper.

## WOODMAN

### II

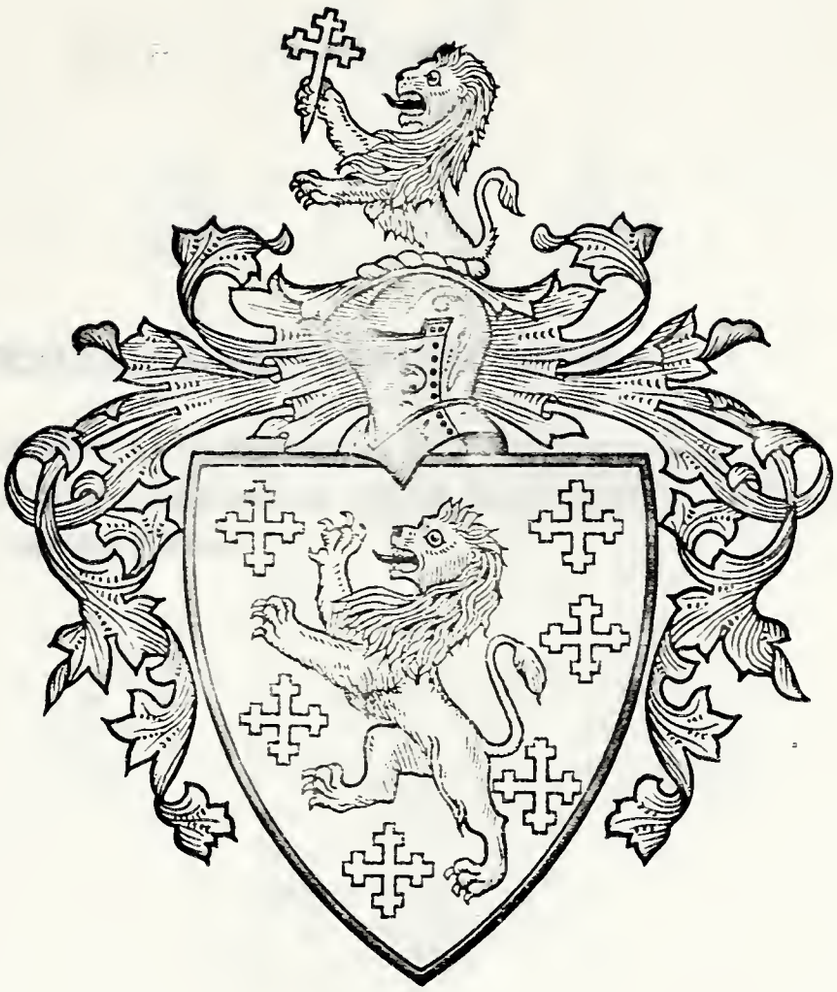
EDWARD (2) WOODMAN, son of Edward and Joanna (Bartlett) Woodman, was born in Milford in Surrey, March 14, 1628, and died in Newbury, Massachusetts, in 1694. He married, December 20, 1653, Mary Goodridge, daughter of William Goodridge.

Children, born in Newbury, Massachusetts:

1. Mary, born September 29, 1654.
2. Elizabeth, born July 11, 1656, died December 27, 1659.
3. Edward, born October 18, 1658, died December 29, 1659.
4. Rebekah, born September 17, 1661, died young.
5. Rebekah, born July 29, 1663; married a Leighton.
6. *Sarah,* of whom further.
7. Judith, born November 18, 1667.
8. Edward, born March 20, 1670; married Mary Sawyer.
9. Archelaus, born June 9, 1672; married Hannah.
10. Elizabeth, born November 8, 1674.
11. Margaret, born August 31, 1676.

### III

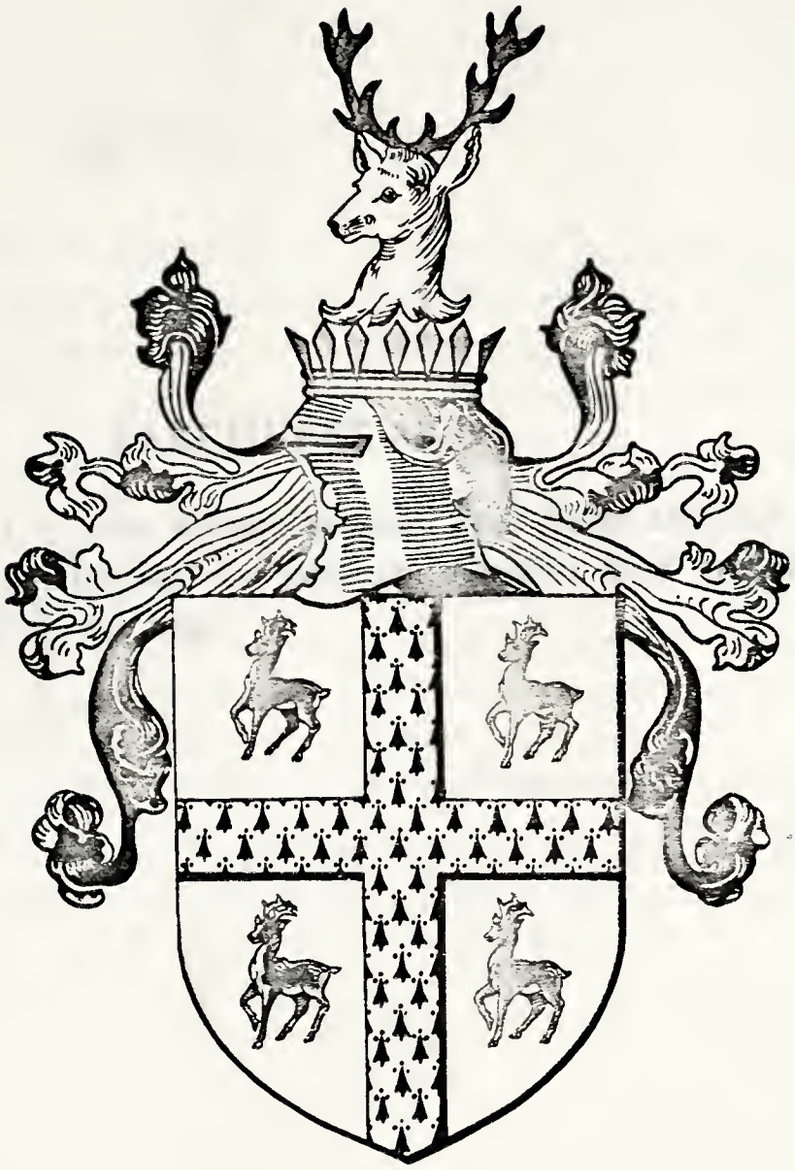
SARAH WOODMAN, daughter of Edward (2) and Mary (Goodridge) Woodman, was born July 18, 1665. She married Nathaniel (3) Merrill. (See Merrill III.)



Goodridge
(Goodrich)

## GOODRIDGE—GOODRICH ARMS

*Arms*—Azure, sèmè of cross crosslets, a lion rampant argent.
*Crest*—A demi-lion rampant couped argent, holding in the dexter paw a cross crosslet fitchee.



Parkhurst

## PARKHURST ARMS

*Arms*—Argent, a cross ermine between four bucks trippant proper.
*Crest*—Out of a pallisado coronet or, a buck's head erased argent attired of the first.

# Parkhurst

THE Parkhurst family is of ancient English origin, the name appearing as early as 1000 A.D., the direct ancestry being traced to the sixteenth century. Two centuries ago a colony of Parkhursts migrated from Parkhurst on the Isle of Wight (where there was a royal park called Parkhurst Forest) to Surrey, England, from which branch the American family descends. The original seat of the clan in Surrey was at "Parkhurst Manor," between Epsom and Guilford, confiscated about 1745, as tradition says, for connection of its owners with the exiled Stuarts. John Parkehurst, of County Surrey, is on the Register of Oxford University in 1581, and George Parkhurst was born in 1511. He was the father of Bishop Parkhurst, of Norwich, England, who was born in 1574, and is believed to have been an ancestor of George Parkhurst, the American founder of the family. In 1635 a Parkhurst was Lord Mayor of London.

## PARKHURST

### I

GEORGE PARKHURST, born in England about 1590, arrived in Massachusetts about 1640, and was living in Watertown in 1642. His wife, Phebe, was of Ipswich, England, where the baptisms of nine children are recorded. He married (second), about 1645, Susanna Simpson, widow of John Simpson.

Children, all of his first marriage:

1. Phebe, baptized November 29, 1612; married, in 1640, Thomas Arnold.
2. Mary, baptized at St. Lawrence Church, August 28, 1614.
3. Samuel, baptized February 2, 1616-17.
4. Deborah, baptized August 1, 1619; married, in Massachusetts, John Smith.
5. George, baptized June 5, 1621.
6. John, baptized October 19, 1623.
7. Abigail, baptized January 1, 1625-26.
8. Elizabeth, born March 18, 1628.
9. *Joseph,* of whom further.
10. Benjamin.

## PARKHURST

### II

JOSEPH PARKHURST, son of George and Phebe Parkhurst, was baptized December 21, 1629, in England. He was in Chelmsford, Massachusetts, from 1656 to 1667. He married, June 26, 1656, at Concord, Mary Read, of Chelmsford.

Children:

1. Mary, born at Chelmsford, August 10, 1657.
2. Rebecca, born August 14, 1659.
3. Joseph, born January 12, 1661.
4. *Abigail*, of whom further.
5. Ebenezer, died November 9, 1745.

### III

ABIGAIL PARKHURST, daughter of Joseph and Mary (Read) Parkhurst, was born March 11, 1664-65, and died after 1729. She married, in Chelmsford, April 14, 1697, Nathaniel Cummings, of Dunstable, Massachusetts. (See Cummings III.)

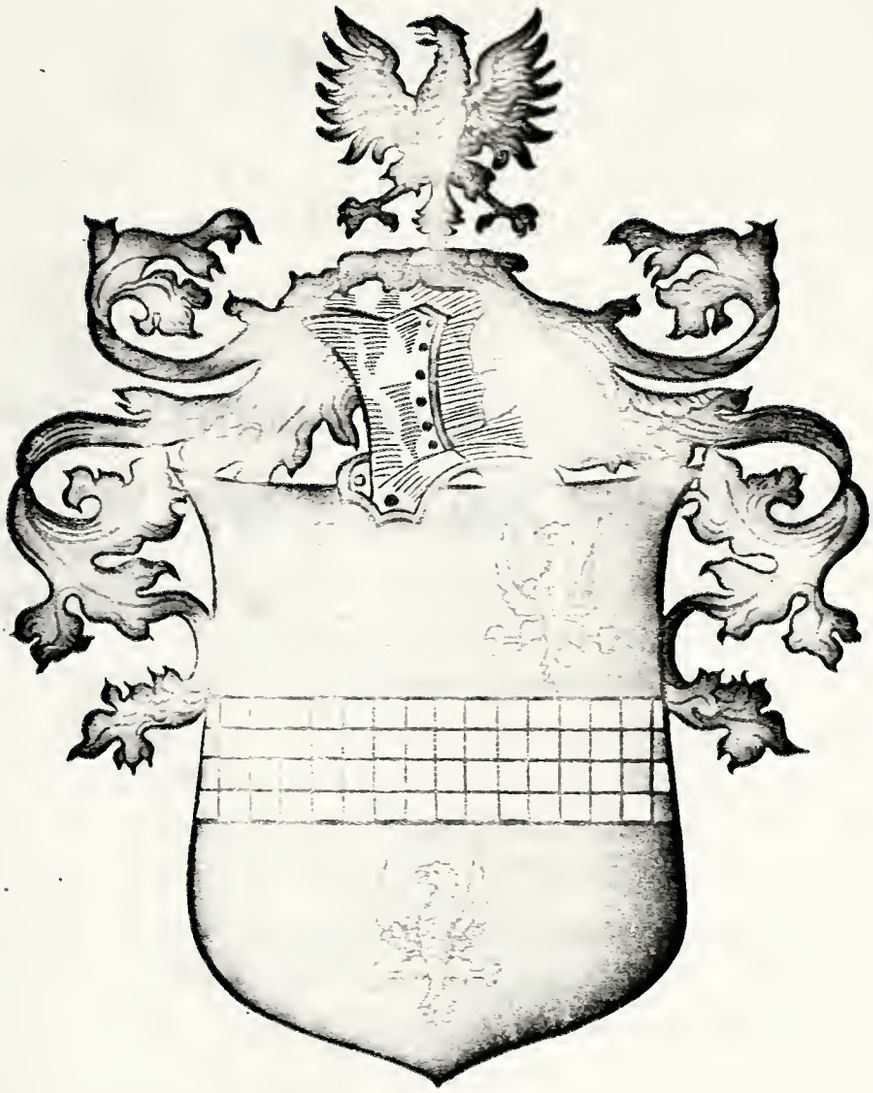
Read

## READ ARMS

*Arms*—Gules, a saltire between four garbs or.

*Crest*—On the stump of an oak tree, a falcon rising proper, belled and jessed or.

*Motto*—*Cedant arma togae.*



Kendall

## KENDALL ARMS

*Arms*—Gules, a fesse chequy or and azure, between three eagles displayed or.

*Crest*—An eagle displayed or.

# Kendall

THE family name Kendall is derived from Kendale in Westmoreland, as the family name of the Leicester-Warwick family is spelled in a deed of the manor of Aldestrie dated 10th of Henry VI (1433), the town being in the dale of the River Kent or Ken; Welsh *cain,* clear. Ancient documents show Kendales in Westmoreland as early as 1243, and that early Kendalls in Leicestershire had claims on lands in Kendale, Westmoreland. The family in 1301 was settled in Shepshed, Twycross and Blaby in Leicestershire, Austrey in Warwickshire, and Smithsby in Derbyshire; and through alliances with the families of Shepey, Walcote, Walleis, Comyn and Fitzherbert, their descent is traced from Hugo de Burdet and Herbert Fitzherbert, Norman knights, who came with William the Conqueror, and from Sieur de Quincy, another Norman knight. Fitzherbert is on the Roll of Battle Abbey. John Kendall, son of John Kendall, of Shepshed, was secretary to King Richard III, and fought on his side at Bosworth, July 20, 1461; he received from the King a grant for life of the office of comptroller of the King's works within Westminster tower. The Kendalls held the manor of Twycross for seven generations, obtained by marriage with Fitzherbert, from Thomas Fitzherbert, whose son, Bartholomew Kendall, obtained the manor of Smithsby by marriage to Margaret Shepey, and his second son, John Kendall, by marrying Margaret, one of the heiresses of Henry Alstre, obtained Aldestrey, now Austrey in Warwickshire.

## KENDALL

The ancestor of the American Kendall family was John Kendall, born in 1608, and died in Cambridgeshire, in 1660. Two of his sons, Francis and Thomas Kendall, came to Massachusetts before 1640. Thomas Kendall, of Reading, 1644, and his wife, Rebecca, had nine daughters, but his only son, Thomas Kendall, born in 1663, died in 1664. He died July 22, 1681. His wife, Rebecca, died July 17, 1703, aged eighty-five years.

### I

FRANCIS KENDALL born in 1619, was a miller and settled first in Charlestown, Massachusetts, but was in Woburn before December 18, 1640. He died at Woburn in 1708. "Francis Kendall, alias Miles, and Mary Tedd (Tidd) maryed 24th of 10th month (December 24), 1644." She was a daughter of John Tidd, and died in 1705.

Children, all born in Woburn:

1. John, born May 2, 1646; married three times; died in 1732.
2. Thomas, born January 10, 1648; married twice; died May 25, 1730.
3. Mary, born January 20, 1650, died in 1721-22.
4. Elizabeth, born January 15, 1652, died October 16, 1715.
5. Hannah, born January 26, 1654.
6. Rebecca, born March 21, 1657.
7. Samuel, born March 8, 1659; married twice; died in 1749.
8. *Jacob,* of whom further.
9. Abigail, born April 6, 1666.

II

JACOB KENDALL, son of Francis and Mary (Tedd—Tidd) Kendall, was born January 25, 1660. He married (first), January 2, 1684, Persis Hayward, who died October 19, 1694. He married (second), January 10, 1695, Alice Temple.

Children of first marriage, born at Woburn:

1. Persis, born August 24, 1685.
2. Jacob, born January 12, 1687.
3. Joseph, born December 17, 1688.
4. Jonathan, born November 2, 1690, died in infancy.
5. Daniel, born October 23, 1691.

Children of second marriage:

6. Ebenezer, born November 9, 1695, died in infancy.
7. John, born January 19, 1697.
8. Sarah, born July 18, 1698.
9. Esther, born November 20, 1699.
10. Hezekiah, born May 26, 1701.
11. Nathan, born December 12, 1702.
12. Susanna, born October 27, 1704.
13. Phoebe, born December 19, 1706.
14. David, born September 28, 1708.
15. Ebenezer, born April 5, 1710.
16. Alice, born January 31, 1712.
17. *Abraham,* of whom further.
18. Jacob, born April 22, 1714.

Temple

## TEMPLE ARMS

*Arms*—Quarterly, 1st and 4th or, an eagle displayed sable; 2nd and 3rd, argent, two bars sable, each charged with three martlets or.
*Crest*—On a ducal coronet or, a martlet of the same.
*Motto*—*Templa quam dilecta.*

## III

ABRAHAM KENDALL, son of Jacob and Alice (Temple) Kendall, was born April 26, 1713, and died at Dunstable, November 14, 1799. He served as a private from Dunstable, in Captain Zaccheus Wright's company, Colonel Brooks' regiment, and was reported wounded. A company return was dated at White Plains, New York, October 31, 1776. He married (first) Ruth —, who died June 17, 1765. He married (second) Jane —, who died April 29, 1806, aged eighty-three years. Only one child is on the Dunstable records, a daughter of Ruth, *Elizabeth,* of whom further.

## IV

ELIZABETH KENDALL, daughter of Abraham and Ruth Kendall, was born in 1739, and died December 9, 1784. She married, in Billerica, Massachusetts, June 19, 1759, Amaziah Swallow. (See Swallow IV.)

*References:—Vital Records of Salisbury, Massachusetts; History of Haverhill, Massachusetts;* Merrill Genealogy (MS); Boxford, Massachusetts, Vital Records; Cummings Genealogy; *History of Salem, New Hampshire;* Vital Records of Salem, New Hampshire; Harrison's *Surnames of the United Kingdom;* Bardsley's *Dictionary of English and Welsh Surnames;* Stearn's *Early Generations of the Founders of old Dunstable;* Vital Records of Chelmsford, Massachusetts; Essex County (Mass.) Historical and Genealogical Register; Topsfield, Massachusetts, Historical Society's Historical Collections; Vital Records of Ipswich and Topsfield, Massachusetts; Coffin's *Sketch of the History of Newbury;* Goodridge Genealogy; A Fragment of the Parkhurst Genealogy; New England Historical and Genealogical Register; Kendall's *The Kendalls of Austrey, Twycross and Smithsby;* Welles' *American Family Antiquity;* Burke's *General Armory;* Family Data.

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